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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: :  
Isberg et al. : Attorney Docket No.: 43315-230171  
Application No.: to be assigned : Art Unit: to be assigned  
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Title: COATINGS OF  $M_{n+1}AX_n$  MATERIAL FOR ELECTRICAL CONTACT ELEMENTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAILSTOP PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: